

Husband and Wife To Appear in Centennial Play

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Dell Gardner

Dell Gardner is a soft spoken, giant of a man that is cast as a Bishop Martin in the Centennial play, "Bands of Iron, Rings of Gold." With his easy going approach to life, he has often been mistaken for a bishop.

At age 12, Dell found he enjoyed singing and began trying out for a number of plays. During high school, he was cast as "Charlie Brown" and went on tour throughout Utah. Later he appeared in the musical, "Oklahoma." Theater was being presented at the old tabernacle, called the Pioneer Playhouse. It later was remodeled into the Heber

City offices. Dell took leading roles in a number of productions including, "Plush Parlor" and "Lil' Abner."

Following high school, Dell studied at Dixie College, again gaining the lead roles in such plays as "Othello, The Apple Tree" and "Show Boat." He continued his education and theatrical experience at BYU. He has performed with the Midway Swiss Chorus and says he loves acting. "I really like working with the other cast members. They're great."

Dell's wife, Lisa, is also appearing in the show as Olive, a Dove, which requires a great deal of dancing. Lisa majored in dance and holds a Bachelor of Arts degree. From her home in Heber City, she teaches art, vocal, piano and dance.

Both Dell and Lisa will be appearing Aug. 2, 3, 5, 9, and 10 at the Wasatch high school theater. For information on the play, call Gwen Smith at 654-4043. Advance tickets may be obtained by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Bands of Iron, P.O. Box 378, Heber City, UT 84032.